

Remarks

In numbered paragraph 11 of the Office Action of October 26, 2004, the Examiner states that Applicant's claims do not require any further processing steps or that further processing be performed.

The amended process claim 1 calls for a process for producing a laminate as an intermediate product that is not a final product.

The process for producing a laminate according to this amended claim 1 clearly shows that the produced laminate is an intermediate product for further processing steps of a forgery-proofed document. Therefore, the claimed process is not comparable with the forgery-proofed document described by Neuhaus.

The amendment to claim 1 is supported in the specification.

Please find enclosed a copy of the originally filed specification. The relevant portions of the disclosure that support the added features are underlined.

Paragraph [0026] of the specification mentions that the laminate 16 is applied to the information carrier 12 before welding the films. Figure 1 according to paragraph [0022] of the specification refers to a cross section view of a forgery-proof document 11 showing the structure of the forgery-proof document 11, which is described in the last three lines of paragraph [0022]. Therefore, the wording added in claim 1 is supported by the description.

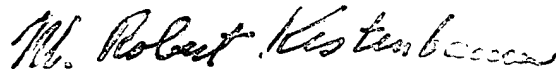
We respectfully request correction from small to large entity. We are paying the difference between small and large entity extension fees for the last amendment. PTO-2038 is enclosed authorizing credit card payment in the amount of \$55 for the above-noted difference.

A one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office

Action is hereby requested. Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 is enclosed to cover the prescribed Large Entity one-month extension fee of \$110.00.

Wherefore further consideration and allowance of the claims in this amendment are hereby requested.

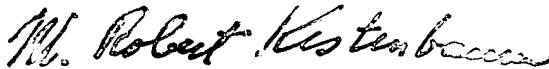
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